

Table 19. Sitting height in centimeters for females 20 years and over—number of examined persons, mean, standard error of the mean, and selected percentiles, by race-ethnicity and age : United States, 1988-1994

Race-ethnicity and age	Number of examined persons	Mean	Standard error of the mean	Selected percentile								
				5th	10th	15th	25th	50th	75th	85th	90th	95th
All race/ethnicity groups ¹												
20 years and over	8,598	85.5	0.09	78.8	80.5	81.6	83.0	85.6	88.1	89.5	90.4	91.7
20-29 years	1,837	86.1	0.13	80.2	81.5	82.5	83.6	86.1	88.5	90.0	90.9	92.0
30-39 years	1,837	86.7	0.13	80.6	82.0	82.9	84.4	86.6	89.1	90.3	91.3	92.5
40-49 years	1,338	86.5	0.15	80.8	82.1	82.9	84.1	86.6	88.9	90.1	90.9	92.5
50-59 years	981	85.5	0.17	79.5	80.8	82.1	83.4	85.6	88.0	89.1	89.8	91.1
60-69 years	1,107	84.0	0.15	78.6	79.9	80.9	82.0	84.0	86.2	87.4	88.4	89.5
70-79 years	894	82.4	0.20	76.0	77.6	78.7	80.2	82.8	84.9	86.2	86.8	88.0
80 years and over	604	79.6	0.24	72.9	74.5	75.6	77.1	79.6	82.4	83.6	84.6	85.8
Non-Hispanic white												
20 years and over	3,558	86.0	0.10	79.5	81.1	82.2	83.6	86.1	88.6	89.9	90.8	92.1
20-29 years	489	86.9	0.19	81.5	82.6	83.2	84.7	86.9	89.2	90.6	91.4	92.3
30-39 years	595	87.5	0.17	81.9	83.1	84.2	85.4	87.4	89.8	91.0	91.9	93.0
40-49 years	467	87.1	0.18	81.9	83.0	83.6	84.9	87.1	89.4	90.5	91.4	92.7
50-59 years	476	86.1	0.19	80.4	81.9	82.8	84.1	86.1	88.5	89.5	90.1	91.4
60-69 years	472	84.5	0.17	79.2	80.7	81.5	82.5	84.4	86.6	87.8	88.7	89.6
70-79 years	584	82.6	0.20	76.1	78.0	79.0	80.4	83.1	85.1	86.5	87.0	88.1
80 years and over	475	79.9	0.22	73.8	75.1	76.1	77.4	79.9	82.5	83.9	84.7	86.2
Non-Hispanic black												
20 years and over	2,480	84.0	0.08	78.2	79.5	80.3	81.7	84.1	86.6	87.7	88.6	89.6
20-29 years	615	84.3	0.15	78.9	79.8	80.9	82.1	84.3	86.6	87.6	88.5	89.6
30-39 years	644	84.8	0.15	79.3	80.3	81.1	82.3	85.0	87.2	88.4	89.3	90.3
40-49 years	446	84.9	0.16	79.7	80.7	81.5	82.7	85.0	87.1	88.2	88.9	89.8
50-59 years	263	83.9	0.22	78.3	79.6	80.6	81.8	83.7	85.9	87.3	88.4	90.0
60-69 years	280	82.6	0.22	76.9	78.5	79.2	80.2	82.6	84.8	86.1	87.0	87.9
70-79 years	165	80.9	0.27	*	76.9	77.2	78.6	81.0	83.3	84.2	85.3	*
80 years and over	67	78.1	0.47	*	*	*	75.8	78.5	80.5	*	*	*
Mexican American												
20 years and over	2,193	83.5	0.10	78.0	79.3	80.2	81.4	83.6	85.6	86.8	87.7	89.0
20-29 years	654	83.9	0.16	78.8	79.9	80.6	81.8	83.9	86.0	87.2	88.3	89.1
30-39 years	520	84.0	0.19	78.6	79.9	80.6	81.7	84.1	85.8	87.0	88.1	89.5
40-49 years	357	84.1	0.20	79.7	80.5	81.2	82.1	84.0	86.0	87.0	87.9	89.2
50-59 years	189	82.9	0.27	*	78.6	80.1	80.6	83.2	85.1	85.7	86.1	*
60-69 years	307	81.6	0.23	76.5	77.6	78.4	79.4	82.1	83.7	84.9	85.4	86.5
70-79 years	117	79.7	0.45	*	*	76.0	77.1	80.5	82.4	83.1	*	*
80 years and over	49	74.2	0.67	*	*	*	*	74.0	*	*	*	*

* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.
¹ Includes all other race-ethnicity groups not listed separately.